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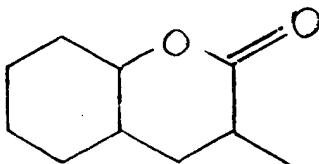
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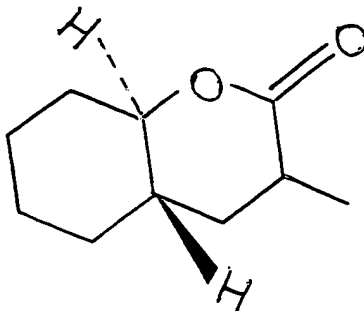
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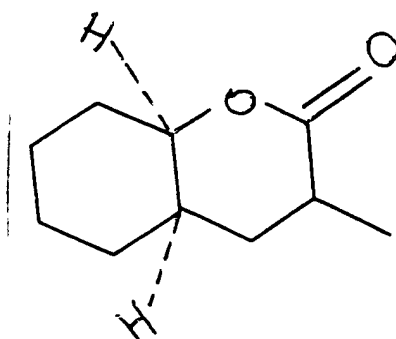
Figure 3A Figures 3A-3B is a GC capillary survey for the compound having the structure:



prepared according to Example I(B), which indicates a mixture of trans and cis isomers in a ratio of 44:56 with the trans isomer being shown by the structure:

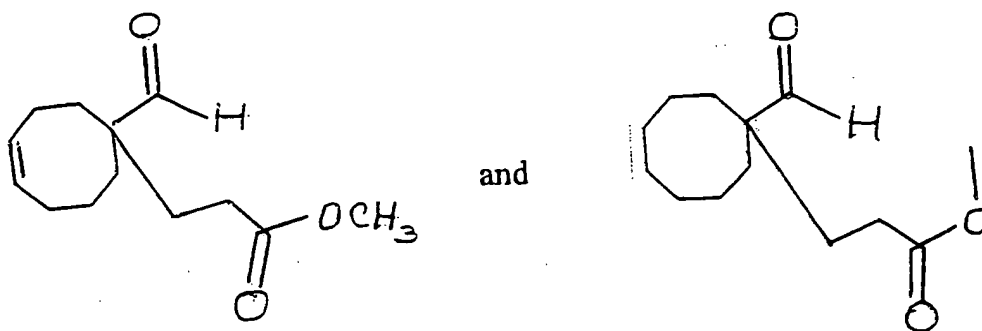


and the cis isomer being shown by the structure:



On page 18, bottom two lines, and bridging onto page 19:

~~Figure 18A~~ Figures 18A-18B is the GC profile for the reaction product of Example IV(A) containing the compounds having the structures:



(conditions: 50 meter x 0.32 mm methyl silicone column programmed from 75°C up to 250°C at 2°C per minute).